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Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Goundar:—"May I know whether population is the only consideration?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"Yes, Sir; under the existing rules, population is the consideration."

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—"May I know whether there is any proposal before the Government to reduce the number of the population limit with regard to school centres?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"There is no such proposal under consideration."

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—"With regard to at least the backward communities, Sir?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"With regard to none."

Proposed use of the buildings of the Government School of Commerce for the Training School for men, Calicut.

* 358 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the accommodation for the Government Training School for men, Calicut, is adequate;

(*b*) whether the District Educational Officer, Malabar, suggested at any time the use of the buildings of the Government School of Commerce, Calicut, for the use of the Training School for men, during the period of the day when the commercial school is not in session;

(*c*) what the hours of working of the School of Commerce are;

(*d*) what the decision of the Government is on the subject; and

(*e*) whether there is a proposal to change the working hours of the Government School of Commerce, Calicut?

A.—(*a*) The accommodation is considered fairly satisfactory.

(*b*) Yes. The Director of Public Instruction, however, was of the view that the existing accommodation will suffice for the present on the execution of certain minor improvements which have been carried out.

(*c*) The typewriting class is held from 7-45 to 10-45 a.m. and from 3-30 to 7-30 p.m. The other classes are held from 7-45 to 9-45 a.m. and from 4-30 to 7-30 p.m.

(*d*) Does not arise.

(*e*) No.

List of Government Training Schools for Women in the Presidency.

* 359 *Q.*—Mr. M. B. Rangaswami Reddi: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) the names of Government training schools for women in this Presidency on 1st March 1931;

(*b*) the strength of the secondary, higher elementary and lower elementary training classes in each of these schools on 1st March 1931;